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Inventors: Ranganathan et al.

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Title: Prebiotic and Probiotic Compositions and Methods for their Use in Gut-Based Therapies

Jane Massey Licata, Inventor, No. 32,257, is hereby declared to be the inventor of the above-captioned invention, and the Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, DC, is hereby notified.

Witness my hand and seal this August 30, 2001

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BOX MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted" dated July 12, 2001 and response to which is due September 12, 2001, enclosed herewith for filing is the original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by the inventor(s). An unexecuted copy of this document, attached to the above-identified specification, was filed by Express Mail No. EL853195504US on May 15, 2001.

Very truly,
Yours,

() An Associate Power of Attorney is also enclosed.

(XX) Small entity status of this application has been established on May 15, 2001.

() A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status Under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been forwarded to the Refund Section, Accounting Division, Office of Finance at _____. A **copy** of this Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status form and the Request for Refund form is enclosed for your convenience.

() A credit card payment form in the amount of \$_____ is attached to cover the surcharge. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1619.

(XX) Please charge the surcharge to my Deposit Account No. 50-1619 in the amount of \$65.00.

This sheet is attached in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

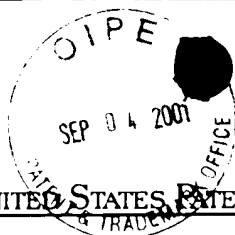
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.**

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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